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The specification has been amended to reflect the national stage status.

Minor amendments have been effected to the specification and claims which are self-explanatory.

Lastly, an electronic copy of the Sequence Listing is enclosed which is identical to the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed on January 18, 2005. No new matter is presented.

Favorable action on the merits is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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